

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

99-545

AGENDA:

DECEMBER 20, 1999

SUBJECT:

1999 PUBLIC
HOUSING DRUG
ELIMINATION
GRANT

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

BEN MONTIJO
HOUSING
DIRECTOR

SYNOPSIS -

Approval of 1999 Drug Elimination Grant Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT -

A total of \$199,926 to be used by the City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency for implementation of the 1999 Drug Elimination Grant activities including:

- Administration of a summer jobs program for 20 public housing youth.
- Installation of various security upgrades to all scattered site public housing units.
- Increased security to entrances at Royal View Manor.
- Increased security at Royal View Manor by extending security patrols during the evening hours.

RECOMMENDATION -

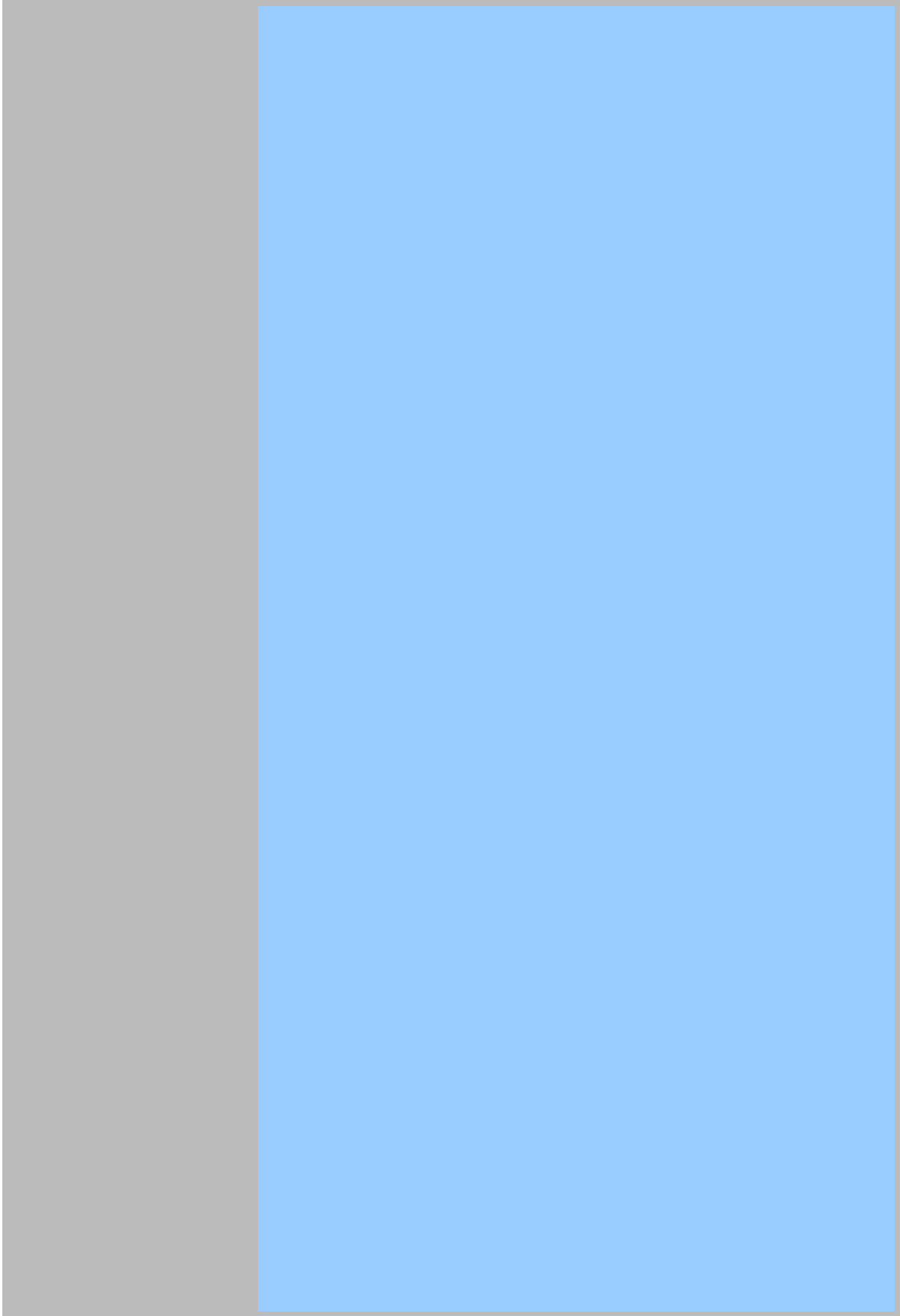
Approval.

BACKGROUND -

Since 1991, efforts to combat drugs and violent crime in public housing has been funded through the Drug Elimination Program. The Department of Housing Services has received Drug Elimination Grants in the past that have improved the security of our public housing units and provided prevention activities for residents.

Grant application has been prepared to:

- Contract to create and administer a summer jobs program for 20 public housing youth, including computer skills and ongoing guidance on work skills.
- Install new handsets and deadbolts, front and back, with upgraded mastering system, in all 463 scattered-site units.
- Modify southwest rear entrance to Royal View Manor by erecting fencing to increase security while maintaining accessibility for residents.
- Increase residents security at Royal View by expanding security patrols every night until 4:00 a.m. and all day on weekends.





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